

# NEWSPOINTS

July 12, 2019



**The Blythe Central Seventh-day Adventist Church in California has been assisting** Riverside County with temporary housing for families that were being housed in California after crossing into the U.S. They were recently featured in a report from the Los Angeles *Times*. [MORE](#)



**It is estimated that 750 million people worldwide are illiterate.** For nearly two decades the North American Division has sponsored adult literacy initiatives through its Partners in Mission program with sister divisions and mission fields. The partnerships have given more than 180,000 adults the gift of literacy. [MORE](#)



**When trials come after you've committed to doing whatever God says, how do you cope?** Did

becoming a believer bring more trials than you bargained for? The great news is that trials don't last forever! We will, and must, encounter our fiercest troubles the closer we get to God. Yet, in our helplessness, He promises to send divine aid. [READ MORE](#) of this online devotional from *Message* magazine.



**Kenneth O. Cox, whose career as a Seventh-day Adventist evangelist spanned decades, continents, and time zones, passed to his rest on July 3, 2019, at the age of 84. Cox, who lived near Loma Linda, California, succumbed following heart surgery.**

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## ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

[The Supreme Court Should Stand Up for Man Fired by Walgreens for Honoring Sabbath \(D.C.\)](#)

[QueensCare Summer Dental Program at Adventist Health White Memorial Offers Free Dental Care \(Calif.\)](#)

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[The Science of "Technology Shabbat" — Adventists Aren't the Only Ones Observing Sabbath \(Mo.\)](#)

[Atlantic Union College, Closed Last Year, Is Selling of Parts of Campus in Lancaster](#)

[\(Mass.\)](#)

[Camp Fire Destroyed Their Paradise Home. They Finally Got a New One—Fully Furnished \(Calif.\)](#)

[Leominster Church Sponsors Vacation Bible School \(Mass.\)](#)

[Woman Crochets Hundreds of Blankets for Church Ministry \(Va.\)](#)

[Albany Church Relaunches Academy for School Year, Offers Full Scholarships \(Ga.\)](#)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES



The [NAD All-Night Prayer Call](#) is July 11-12, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Eastern Time. NAD prayer leaders will serve as "prayer hosts" throughout the night. Let's give thanks; let's share needs; let's pray together! Call 404-891-6338; access code is Prayer# (772937#).



**Refugees are often lonely here. Connect scattered families with faith communities** who can nurture them in their heart language through Refugee Camp Meetings. [Click here](#) for a list of more than a dozen summer events across the division for most of ARIM's 17 language groups. And check out our [Facebook page](#)!



**Enjoy Christian programs for the entire family!** Check the online program schedule for your favorites like Discovery Mountain (from Voice of Prophecy), Your Story Hour, Adventures in Odyssey, Lamplighter Theatre, and more [HERE](#)! Or, click [HERE](#) to get your printable list of Kid's Programs. Traveling? Take LifeTalk Radio with you! Get the FREE mobile app or listen online at [www.LifeTalk.net](http://www.LifeTalk.net).



## **ALC's course, "Citing This: Two Free Tools That Make Citing Sources Easy!"**

explores resources that can help your students correctly cite sources for their bibliographies. This session reveals how easy it is to cite any type of source, briefly covers the concept of copyright, and demonstrates how to impress on students the importance of being a good digital citizen by giving proper credit to sources.

Earn [0.05 CEUs](#).



**The *Canadian Adventist Messenger: South Asian Edition*** is a magazine for people of all backgrounds and ethnicities who share a love for Christ. The South Asian community is growing in Canada, currently 5.4 percent of the population, and presents countless opportunities for us to show genuine care. In this magazine, find tools and tips for making connections with your South Asian neighbours, read real-life stories of South Asians who have joined the Adventist faith, learn about various South Asian world views and religions, and discover how our Adventist Mission pioneers are sharing the love of Jesus globally. [READ MORE.](#)



**The ASI Nonprofit Leadership Certification Program (NLCP)** will be offered July 29-31 in Louisville, Kentucky, just before the ASI convention. NLCP is an intensive leadership development program that is specifically designed for ASI members to equip participants with strategies and professional skills to successfully lead and manage nonprofit organizations. Registration includes all meals and four complimentary books (valued at \$85). [LEARN MORE.](#)

**“One Night of Power,”** hosted by **NAD Youth Ministries** in collaboration with NAD Prayer Ministries, will discuss and reveal how young people can engage in prayer with enthusiasm. On Aug. 1, students will have



an opportunity to receive special prayer, post their prayer concerns, and learn powerful ways to connect with Jesus through prayer. This event will be streamed on Facebook Live and Instagram Live. Join us from the comfort of your electronic device and see how Christ moves on our behalf when we pray! [LEARN MORE](#).



**The North American Division's *Search Engine Optimization Guidebook* is designed** to help Seventh-day Adventist entities to evangelize online through effective content creation, website ranking, and reputation management. It's a step-by-step guide, that is easy to follow and implement. Direct download here: <https://sdadata.blog/SEOGuidebook>; landing page: <https://www.sdadata.org/seo.html>



**Wondering what to expect at camporee? Check out this fun and informative** video tour of the grounds! The Chosen International Camporee in Oshkosh, Wisconsin is this summer. [Click here](#) to watch!

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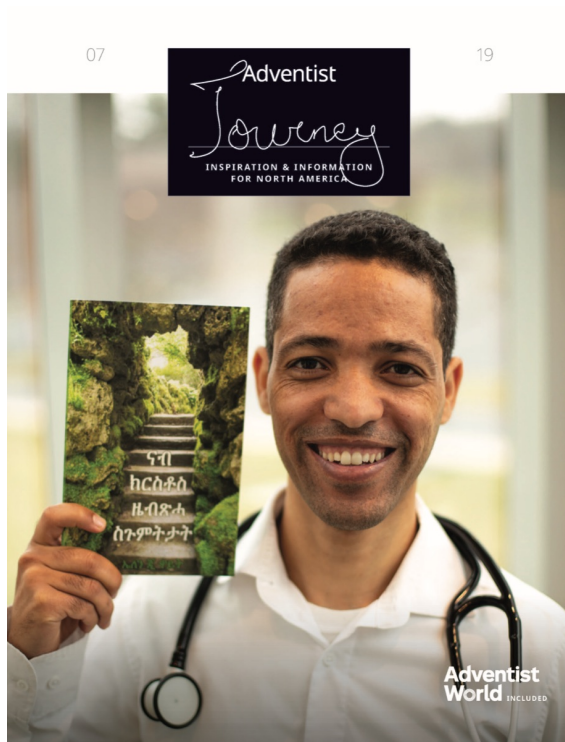
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## VIEWPOINTS



## Change of Plans

"When God usurps your plans, stop, breathe, pray — and just go with it, because He's doing something important. ... When God intervenes in my plans, as He has done many times in my life, it's always for a very good reason. Perhaps someday I'll understand why, but for now it's reassuring of His love and His presence. ... The times He has spoken to me or manifested His power in my life stand as reminders of His continued power over my life and destiny when fear consumes me. Psalm 77:14 [says] "You are the God who works wonders. You have made known your strength among the peoples."

— *Jamie Domm, digital strategist for NAD Big Data + Social Media, speaking at NAD staff worship on July 8, 2019*

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